

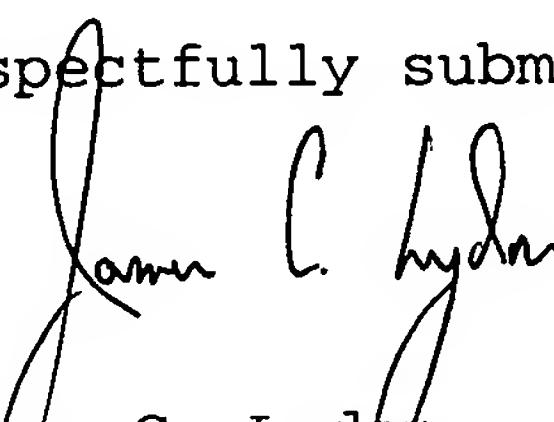
REMARKS

This Amendment cancels claims 1-16 in favor of new claims 17-32, amends the specification, and adds a substitute abstract. New claims 17-32 are based on claims 1-16. The amendment to the specification inserts the reference to U.S. provisional application 60/539,431 required by 37 CFR § 1.78. The substitute Abstract is based on the PCT Abstract. Claims 17-32 are pending.

An Information Disclosure Statement and Recordation Form Cover Sheet are attached.

It is not believed any fee is required for entry and consideration of this Preliminary Amendment. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1258 in the amount of any such required fee.

Respectfully submitted,


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Substitute Abstract
Information Disclosure Statement
Recordation Form Cover Sheet